

**Conneaut School District**

**PUBLIC WORK SESSION**  
**Minutes**  
**Wednesday, November 7, 2018**  
**7:00 PM**

The Conneaut School Board of Directors met Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at the Conneaut Lake Middle School gymnasium/cafeteria.

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Board President Mrs. Dorothy Luckock.

The following members answered to roll call:

Mr. Burnham	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Hornstein
Mr. Jacobs	Mrs. Klink	Mrs. Luckock
Mr. McGuirk	Mr. McQuiston	Mrs. Miller

**Administrators Present-**

**Superintendent:** Jarrin Sperry

**Business Manager:** Greg Mayle

**Technology Coordinator:** Rick Kelly

**Director of Buildings and Grounds-** Frank Kimmel

**Principals:** Mr. Wentling, Mr. Hines, Mr. Parks, Mr. Burns and Mr. Jardina.

**Visitor Recognition**

Mrs. Luckock offered a Visitor Recognition on Agenda Items\* noting as \*Per Policy 903 – Public Participation in Board Meetings. All visitors who are recognized during the Visitor Recognition are allotted a maximum of five (5) minutes to address matters of their concern, unless otherwise determined by the Board President. Visitor recognition is to be limited to thirty (30) minutes unless otherwise decided by the Board.

*Discussion Items-*

- a. *Maintenance Updates...* Mr. Kimmel reported the following;
  - a. Linesville Little League tree removal request has been received by the Linesville Little League President. There are two maple trees, one dead and the other half dead which are located on the leased little league field in Linesville. They are asking that they be removed. The Board was in agreement to paying for the removal of these two trees. Mr. Kimmel will make sure the company which removes them has the appropriate insurances.
  - b. Items Donated to Linesville Historical Society-as information. As asked by the Board, Mr. Kimmel provided a detailed list of the items donated to the Linesville Historical Society.


- b. *Policy Review*...Mr. Jardina reviewed the policies briefly which are up for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading this month.
- c. *CLE Video*...Mr. Parks provided a video of his students in his building. The video was well received by the Board.
- d. *Superintendent's Report*...Mr. Sperry
  1. On October 8<sup>th</sup>, there was a district wide in-service on ACES. In the afternoon, Kurt and I attended a work shop at Edinboro University with Michael Dorn Presenting. Michael is an expert on school and workplace safety. His expertise has been used by the FBI, U.S. Dept. of education, NEMA, ATF, and numerous other agencies. He gave Kurt and me much to talk about and we are re-evaluating how we train our staff and students in the district.
  2. On October 9<sup>th</sup>, I attended the PAC meeting at the CCCTC with the Crawford County superintendents and CCCTC administration as well as Ted Watts Solicitor. We went over the agenda for the upcoming board meeting and discussed a survey coming out this month to gauge interest in different areas concentrations that may be created in the future.
  3. The IU SAC (Superintendent's Advisory Council) meeting was Oct 12<sup>th</sup>. The agenda included: The state of the superintendency in PA, (by Mark DiRocco) Mark also presented at the PSBA conference in closing session, Regional Common In-Service, ACT 44, PIAA, Safe Schools Grants, and RCI (Regional Choice Initiative).
  4. October 16-19 I was at the PSBA conference with Theresa and Jamie. (Report on CANVAS)
  5. On October 24<sup>th</sup>, a meeting at the Career and Tech center about RCI (Regional Choice Initiative) was held with Dean Maynard from IU5, Tom Washington from Crawford Central and Kevin Sprong and Mike Costa. The Regional Choice Initiative is a program where high school students attend a common site and get college credit while still in high school. We are attempting to start the program in Crawford County which would mirror the program that Erie County has. At this time, Edinboro would be the providing College. We hope to have two classes in the spring semester (starting January 2019) with more options in the fall of 2019.
  6. On October 25<sup>th</sup>, Tom Washington, Karen Jez, Tim Glasspool, Tracy Reiser and I met with Judge Vadarro to review and make some adjustments to the truancy forms that will be used throughout the county
  7. I had lunch with Tom Washington, Karen Jez, Tim Glasspool and Tracy Reiser on October 25<sup>th</sup> right after our meeting with Judge Vardaro to discuss our plans for how we will contact each other for winter storms and we also discussed how each district comes to their decisions to delay or cancel.
  8. An after action review of the Conneautville Tornado was held on October 29<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was held in Conneautville at the Fellows Club. Over 40 agencies were represented at the meeting which ran from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. A PEMA (Pennsylvania Emergency Management Administration) official came up from Butler to run the meeting. We went through the entire day leading up to the tornado and then through and after the event. Strengths, weaknesses and areas of concern were discussed and documented in the hopes that we can respond even better if another event occurs.

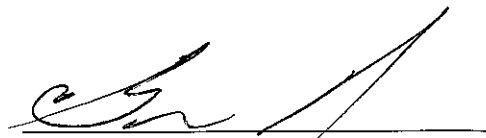
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9. The Title I conference was held at Hotel Conneaut on November 1st. Doug, Adam and I were in attendance as well as Susy, Brenda, and all of our Title 1 Teachers, Debbie Hathaway, Lois Byham and Amy Mathias. Our Title 1 aides: Jen Stevenson, Lori Little, Kelly Steigerwald, Leslie Conlin, Marty Agnew, and Patti DiMucci were there as well as were many elementary teachers. The guest speaker was author Paul Orshoski. Paul has written numerous children's books and was a dynamic speaker. He had previously spent time with our kids at both elementary schools on Thursday before the conference. (See document on CANVAS)
  10. Brenda Kantz and I took a tour of Harbor Creek high school's STEAM classes on Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Harbor Creek is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of a STEAM initiative for middle school and high school students. There are four core teachers that are teaching students STEAM centered concepts in Art, Math, Robotics, Electronics, and Maker Spaces. We have many of the same classes here and hope to incorporate a similar concept here.
  11. Rick Kelly, Kurt Sitler, Herb Bossard, Matt Bowes and I met with Rob JoDon a representative from Gaggle on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Gaggle is a 20 year old company that scans emails and google documents looking for incidents that may need counselor or administrative intervention. In extreme cases, they also notify local law enforcement. They have prevented and/or alerted officials of numerous acts of violence and self-harm as well as bullying behaviors that might otherwise go unreported. We have a free trial with them at this point until March of 2019.
  12. I have also had numerous school/classroom visits in the past month.
- e. *PSBA Conference Update*...Mrs. Miller/Mr. Hornstein/Mr. Sperry each provided a summary of their experience at the 2018 Fall PASA/PSBA Leadership Conference held in Hershey, Pa.
- f. *Agenda Review*... The Board reviewed the draft agenda.

Mrs. Luckock announced there will be an **EXECUTIVE SESSION** immediately following the meeting to review and discuss agency business which, if conducted in public, might lead to disclosure of information protected by law, issues might include agency business.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

  
Mrs. Dorothy Luckock, Board President

  
Mr. Greg Mayle, Board Secretary